

Turner Lake

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Dear Mark,

Your letter was waiting for me when I got back to Sitka. I just wanted to clarify our position on Turner Lake. While we see substantial benefit to the gillnet fleet if sockeye are planted there, we see tremendous potential for sportsmen in Juneau to participate in the fishery. First there would be the recreational saltwater fishery for sportsmen. Some harvest would probably be through a dip net fishery in the outlet stream of Turner Lake and although this is not a "sport fishery" in the pure sense, it is my observation that subsistence sockeye fisheries near towns involve many of the same individuals as the sport fishery. In short, I believe the Turner Lake project should be considered being put in the sport fish plan for Juneau on the merits of its potential contribution to non-commercial users. I felt that your summary of what we discussed on the phone should include this point.

I appreciate the difficult task that you have ahead of you and hope that I can be of assistance. I certainly appreciate the extra effort that you are willing to make to involve me even though I can't attend all of the meetings.

Best Fishes,

Bruce Bachen  
Operations Manager

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✓cc: Frank Van Hulle